

1893.

PROCEEDINGS

—OF THE—

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

—OF THE—

COUNTY OF WELLAND.

DECEMBER SESSION.

December 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th.

C. B. Bennett, Esq., = = Warden.

**WELLAND:
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Officers of the County for 1893.

C. B. BENNETT,	-	-	-	WARDEN.
ROBERT COOPER,	-	-	-	CLERK.
GEO. L. HOBSON,	-	-	-	TREASURER.

Names of Wardens from 1856 to 1893.

	WARDEN FOR
JOHN FRAZER, Esq., M. D., (late Provisional Warden)	1856
JAMES CUMMINGS, Reeve of Chippawa	1857
JAMES CUMMINGS, Reeve of Chippawa	1858
JAMES CUMMINGS, Reeve of Chippawa	1859
JAMES CUMMINGS, Reeve of Chippawa	1860
JAMES CUMMINGS, Reeve of Chippawa	1861
ROBERT COULTER, Reeve of Thorold Township	1862
ROBERT COULTER, Reeve of Thorold Township	1863
ROBERT COULTER, Reeve of Thorold Township	1864
EDWARD LEE, Reeve of Wainfleet Township	1865
EDWARD LEE, Reeve of Wainfleet Township	1866
EDWARD LEE, Reeve of Wainfleet Township	1867
DAVID KILLINS, Reeve of Thorold Township	1868
J. C. KIRKPATRICK, Reeve of Chippawa	1869
M. F. HANEY, M. D., Reeve of Humberstone Township	1870
JOSEPH GARNER, Reeve of Pelham Township	1871
JOSEPH GARNER, Reeve of Pelham Township	1872
WILLIAM MELLANBY, Reeve of Humberstone Township	1873
CHARLES TREBLE, Reeve of Fort Erie	1874
EDWARD LEE, Reeve of Wainfleet Township	1875
WILLIAM MELLANBY, Reeve of Humberstone Township	1876
WILLIAM MELLANBY, Reeve of Humberstone Township	1877
WILLIAM BUCHNER, Reeve of Crowland Township	1878
EDWIN HERSHEY, Reeve of Bertie Township	1879
GEORGE J. DUNCAN, Reeve of Stamford Township	1880
JAMES SMITH, Reeve of Willoughby Township	1881
ELISHA FURRY, Reeve of Humberstone Township	1882
ALEX. FRAZER, Reeve of Thorold Town	1883
WM. McCLEARY, Reeve of Thorold Town	1884
C. RISELAY, Reeve of Bertie Township	1885
ERNEST CRUIKSHANK, Reeve of Fort Erie	1886
JOHN A. ORCHARD, Reeve of Stamford	1887
J. H. BURGAR, Reeve of Town of Welland	1888
T. L. STONE, Reeve of Port Colborne	1889
GEO. L. HOBSON, Reeve of Town of Welland	1890
H. G. MACKLEM, Reeve of Chippawa	1891
M. B. BARNHARD, Reeve of Willoughby Township	1892
C. B. BENNETT, Reeve of Thorold Township	1893

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FIRST DAY.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,

WELLAND, Tuesday, Dec. 5th, 1893.

By direction of the Warden the Council met in session in Council Chamber, at Welland, for the transaction of general business, at 2 p. m.

The Warden in the chair.

Members present :—Messrs. Barnhard, Barrick, Battle, Bennett, Present.
Cook, Cruikshank, Deans, Fares, Fry, Griffiths, Hagar, Hopkins,
Krafft, Macklem, Misener, Orr, Page, Pew, Ripley, Riselay, Sidey,
Steele and Weiss—23.

The Warden addressed Council, giving a general *resume* of the Matters before Council.
business since June session, and laid before the Council the following
communications :

From Thomas C. Dawson, *re* annual grant to St. Catharines General and Marine Hospital ;

Also, from Kostuck & Lymburner ;

Also, from County Huron, *re* resolution passed that section 533 A., of the Consolidated Municipal Act of 1892, be repealed ;

Also, from James Quillinan, *re* County Pupils for Niagara Falls High School ;

Also, from Alex. Reid, Secretary Welland County Agricultural Society, *re* grant ;

Also, from A. M. Rosebrugh, M. D., *re* Prison Reform ;

Also, copies of minutes from other counties ;

Also, County Treasurer's Statement ;

Also, from J. McCuaig, President W. C. T. U., *re* grant for Prison Library.

Moved by Mr. Battle, seconded by Mr. Ripley,

Sessional hours.

That the hours of meeting and adjournment during the session be as follows : Meet at 9 a. m., adjourn at 12 noon ; meet again at 1.30 p. m., adjourn at 5.30 p. m.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Barnhard, seconded by Mr. Deans,

That the communication from Edgar Ker, *re* James H. Ball, Public School Inspector, be referred to the Committee of Education, to report at this session.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Ripley,

Ker v. Jas. H. Ball.

That the communication from Mr. Ker, *re* the County School Inspector, be taken up by a committee of the whole at 1.30 p. m. on Wednesday, and that Mr. Ball be notified forthwith of the intention of this Council.

The yeas and nays being called were taken as follows :

Yeas :—Messrs. Barrick, Battle, Cook, Cruikshank, Fry, Griffiths, Krafft, Misener, Page, Pew, Ripley, Riselay and Weiss—13.

Nays :—Messrs. Barnhard, Deans, Hagar, Orr and Steele—5.

The motion passing in the affirmative—majority 9.

The original motion was again read and declared lost.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Battle,

That the Treasurer's Report be referred to Finance Committee. Treasurer's report.
—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Page,

That the sum of \$15 be granted in aid of the County Prison Grant to prison library.
Library, as per request of President of W. C. T. U.—Carried.

The Warden presented first report of House of Industry, which Report House of Industry.
was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Riselay,

That the report of the House of Industry Committee be adopted.
—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Riselay, seconded by Mr. Weiss,

That the account of Irvin Teal, bailiff of 3rd Division Court, Account—Bailiff Irvin Teal.
Welland, amounting to \$14.25, for books used as such bailiff, be paid, and that the Warden do issue his cheque for the same.—
Carried.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Fry,

That the account of Wm. Greenwood, for constable fees Account—Wm. Greenwood, constable. *re*
Kostuck, be paid, and that the Warden do issue his cheque for the same, \$7.50.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Barnhard,

That the account of Wm. Crumb, for blacksmithing on Montrose Account of Wm. Crumb.
Bridge in 1892, be paid, and the Warden do issue his cheque for the same, \$2.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Battle, seconded by Mr. Griffiths,

That the thanks of this Council be tendered to Mr. E. Cruikshank Thanks to Mr. Cruikshank *re* Municipal History. *re*
for the energy and ability displayed in compiling the work entitled, "A Century of Municipal History."—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Macklem,

That the communication from the County of Huron, Com. from Co. Huron referred *re*
the repeal of Section 533 of Consolidated Municipal Act, be referred to the following committee :—Messrs. Barnhard, Battle, Krafft, and the mover and seconder of this resolution.—Carried.

The hour of adjournment having arrived the Warden left the chair.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 6th, 1893.

Pursuant to adjournment the Council met at 9 o'clock a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

All members present except Mr. Cook.

Minutes of yesterday read by Clerk and approved by Council.

Underdraining
Industrial farm.

E. Cruikshank, Chairman of Committee on House of Industry, spoke on employing prisoners on Industrial farm, and thought that to go on with underdraining on farm would be profitable to the county.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Pew,

Purchase of tile.

That the Home Committee be authorized to purchase another car load of tile for underdraining on the Home farm.—Carried.

Roads and
bridges.

The Warden presented report of Standing Committee on Roads and Bridges, which was read to Council.

A discussion arose and the hour of adjournment having arrived, Mr. Battle having the floor.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1.30 o'clock the Council resumed.

Ker v. Ball.

As per resolution of Tuesday, the Warden stated the first business was the consideration of charges by Mr. Ker against Mr. Ball, County School Inspector.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Sidey,

That this Council do now resolve itself into a committee of the whole, and that the charges made by Mr. Ker against Mr. Ball, Public School Inspector, be taken up.—Carried.

Pursuant to motion the Council went into committee of the whole, with Mr. Barnhard in the chair.

Mr. German, on behalf of Mr. Ker, was heard by committee, and presented letter from John Millar, Deputy Minister, which was read to Council. Mr. Ker also gave his statement.

Mr. Ball defended himself against the charges made against him,

and presented letter from John Millar, Deputy Minister, which was read to Council.

Mr. Davis, teacher of the school in connection with which the charges were laid, answered questions asked by members of committee.

Messrs. Nunn and Reece, trustees of said school, were also heard, and presented a petition signed by forty-nine ratepayers of the section approving of Mr. Ball's inspectorship.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That this committee do now rise and report, that after investigating the charges brought by Mr. Ker against J. H. Ball, County School Inspector, cannot find that he has been in any way negligent or remiss in his duty, or that there is any real foundation for the complaints, the majority of ratepayers in school section referred to being fully satisfied with both teacher and inspector.—Carried.

The committee rose.

The Warden in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Pew,

That after investigating the charges brought by Mr. Ker against J. H. Ball, County School Inspector, cannot find that he has been in any way negligent or remiss in his duty, or that there is any real foundation for the complaints, the majority of ratepayers in school section referred to being fully satisfied with both teacher and inspector.—Carried.

Mr. Ker's
charges dis-
missed.

The debate on report of Road and Bridge Committee was resumed and the Warden again read the report.

Roads and
bridges.

Moved by Mr. Barnhard, seconded by Mr. Misener,

That the report just read be adopted.—Carried.

Mr. Sidey gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a bill to amend By-law No. 591, appointing special constable *re* vagrants.

Moved by Mr. Barnhard, seconded by Mr. Orr,

That William Burns be paid \$50 for swinging Montrose bridge,

Wm. Burns paid
\$50.

for the year ending December 31st, 1893, and the Warden do issue his cheque for the same.—Carried.

Thorold High
school paid for
county pupils.

Moved by Mr. Battle, seconded by Mr. Ripley,

Whereas, the cost of the entrance examinations was not taken into consideration in making up the expenses of the High schools of the county, and that the Town of Welland High school received last year the sum of \$46.45 for the examination of county pupils, and \$17 has been paid to the Stamford High school this year : therefore be it resolved, that the Warden issue his cheque in favor of the Treasurer of the Thorold High school for the sum of \$18, being amount paid by that municipality for the examination of county pupils during the years 1891 and 1892, as shown in the accompanying report of the presiding examiner.—Carried.

Mr. Sidey asked leave for Gaol Committee to retire.—Leave granted.

A quorum not being present, the Warden left the chair at 5 p.m.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, Dec. 7th, 1893.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Council met at 9 a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

All members present.

The minutes of yesterday were read by the Clerk and approved by Council.

From G. L.
Hobson re
monies paid by
Fort Erie and
Humberstone.

The Warden presented communication from G. L. Hobson, Treasurer, re sums of money paid by Fort Erie and Humberstone.

Mr. Macklem gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a bill to repeal By-law No. 271 of this county.

Account with
Niagara Falls
town.

The Warden presented report of Standing Committee on Accounts with Town of Niagara Falls, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Steele,

That the report just read be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Griffiths,

That leave be given to introduce a bill to amend By-law No. 591.

By-law 591
amended.

Leave granted and bill read a first, second and third time, and passed, entitled "A By-law to amend By-law No. 591."

Mr. Cruikshank gives notice that on to-morrow he will ask leave to introduce a Memorial to the Minister of the Interior, respecting the ferry landing at Fort Erie.

Fort Erie ferry
landing.

Moved by Mr. Griffiths, seconded by Mr. Macklem,

That this Council do visit the Industrial Home in a body on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.—Carried.

Industrial Home
visit.

The Warden presented communication from Sheriff Smith, *re* Mrs. Ashton, which was read to Council.

Re Mrs. Ashton.

The Warden presented communication from James E. Morin, Registrar, *re* recommendation from E. F. B. Johnston, inspector, which was read to Council.

Registry office
fixtures.

Moved by Mr. Griffiths, seconded by Mr. Cook,

That the communication of Mr. Johnston, *re* shelving for registry office, be referred to Gaol Committee, to report at January session.—Carried.

Mr. Macklem gives notice that he will on to-morrow ask leave to introduce a by-law in accordance with sub-section 3, of section 535, of the Consolidated Municipal Act, to provide that the words "rivers, lakes and ponds" as used in sections 532 and 535, shall not include or extend to any river, lake or pond less than eighty feet in width.

Re sections 532
and 535, Muni-
cipal act.

Mr. Sidey, Chairman of Gaol Committee, asked leave for committee to retire.

Leave granted.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 p. m. the Council resumed.

Mr. Barnhard, Chairman of special committee *re* communication from County Huron, asked leave to retire.

Leave granted.

Gaol report.

The Warden presented first report of Gaol Committee, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Hagar,

That the report just read be adopted.—Carried.

Report *re* com.
from Co. Huron.

The Warden presented report of special committee *re* communication from County of Huron, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Barnhard, seconded by Mr. Macklem,

That the report just read be adopted.—Carried.

A quorum not being present, the Warden left the chair at 4 p.m.

FOURTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, Dec. 8th, 1893.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Council met at 9 o'clock a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

All members present.

The minutes of yesterday were read by Clerk and approved by Council.

By-law 271
repealed.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Riselay,

That leave be given to introduce a bill to repeal By-law No. 271 of the By-laws of this Council.

Leave granted.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Riselay,

That the bill be read a first time.

Bill read a first time.

Upon the second reading a vote was taken—majority in the affirmative.

Bill read a third time and passed, entitled "A By-law to repeal By-law No. 271 of the By-laws of this Council."

Mr. German, in behalf of residents of Humberstone and Bertie townships, was heard by Council, in favor of prohibiting the working of pumps or natural gas compressors in the gas territory of this county. *Re natural gas pumps.*

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Macklem,

That leave be given to introduce a Memorial to the Minister of the Interior, respecting the Fort Erie ferry landing. *Fort Erie ferry landing.*

Leave granted.

Memorial read a first, second and third time and passed, signed, sealed and forwarded to the Honorable the Minister of Interior, as directed.

The Warden presented communication from J. H. Howell, Gaol Surgeon, *re* Mrs. Ashton, which was read to Council. *Mrs. Ashton.*

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Macklem,

That the Gaol Committee be instructed to request the Sheriff to engage an extra nurse for the care of Mrs. Ashton while in gaol, and to see that sufficient assistance is procured to keep Mrs. Ashton in a clean, and as far as possible, comfortable condition, until means can be found to have her removed from gaol to a more suitable place.—
Carried.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Cruikshank,

That leave be given to introduce a bill to provide that the words "rivers, lakes and ponds" as used in sections 532 and 535 of the Consolidated Municipal Act of 1892, shall not include or extend to any river, lake or pond less than eighty feet in width. *Re sections 532 and 535 Con. Mun. Act.*

Leave granted.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Cruikshank,

That the bill be read a first time.

Bill read a first time.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Cruikshank,

That the bill be read a second time.

Bill read a second time.

A discussion arose and continued to the hour of adjournment.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Warden left the chair.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1 o'clock p. m. the Council resumed.

Moved by Mr. Fares, seconded by Mr. Steele,

Memorial vs.
Natural gas
pumps.

And resolved, that whereas it is alleged that the Provincial Natural Gas and Fuel Company are erecting an extensive pumping (or gas compressing) station in the natural gas field in this county, (of a portion of which such company is the lessee) for the purpose of forcing such gas to the City of Buffalo ;

And whereas it is alleged that the effect of such pumps (or gas compressors) will be to exhaust all the gas in such gas field, within a very few years, and not only the gas within the limits of the field leased by such company, but will also draw the gas from the surrounding territory, thus practically allowing the company to take gas which they have not paid for and which the owners thereof desire to retain for local purposes ;

And whereas such gas is being largely and beneficially used for local and manufacturing purposes, and will, it is believed, supply all local demand for many years if taken from the ground by the natural flow only :

This Council is of opinion (if such allegations are shewn to be correct) that the effect of such gas pumps (or compressors) will be to work a great injustice to a large section of this county ; and this Council requests that at the next session of the Ontario Legislature an act may be passed (if within its power) wholly prohibiting the taking of natural or fuel gas from the ground, or the forcing of it from the wells through pipes by means of pumps, compressors, or any other artificial appliances.

And that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Hon. Sir Adopted.
Oliver Mowat, Attorney-General of Ontario.—Carried.

The discussion on by-law *re* bridges over rivers was resumed. *Re* bridges over rivers.

The Warden again read the by-law the second time.

Upon the second reading, the yeas and nays being called for, were taken as follows :

Yeas :—Messrs. Barrick, Battle, Cook, Cruikshank, Deans, Fares, Griffiths, Hopkins, Macklem, Misener, Pew, Ripley, Sidey and Steele.—14.

Nays :—Messrs. Barnhard, Bennett, Fry, Hagar, Krafft, Orr, Page and Riselay.—8.

Second reading passing in the affirmative—majority 6.

Bill read a third time and passed, entitled “By-law to provide that the words “rivers, lakes and ponds” as used in sections 532 and 535 of the Consolidated Municipal Act, 1892, shall not include or extend to any river, lake or pond less than eighty feet in width.

The Warden presented communication from J. McCaw, Secretary Public School Board, *re* grant to Model School.

Welland P. S.
board's claims.

Also for County's proportion of Inspector's salary for Welland Public School.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Griffiths,

That the communication just read be referred to the Committee on Education.—Carried.

The Warden presented report of Standing Committee on Education, which was read to Council.

Educational
report.

Moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Griffiths,

That the report just read be adopted.—Carried.

Pursuant to motion, the Council adjourned at 3.30 p. m. for the purpose of visiting the Industrial Home.

FIFTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, Dec. 9th, 1893.

Pursuant to adjournment the Council met at 9 o'clock a. m.

The Warden in the chair.

All members present.

The minutes of yesterday were read by Clerk and approved by Council.

2nd gaol report.

The Warden presented second report of Gaol Committee, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Hagar,

That the report just read be adopted.—Carried.

2nd report—
House of Industry.

The Warden presented second report of the Committee of the House of Industry, which was read to Council.

Moved by Mr. Riselay, seconded by Mr. Fares,

That the second report of the Committee on House of Industry be adopted.—Carried.

Grant to caretaker O'Reilly bridge.

Moved by Mr. Barnhard, seconded by Mr. Misener,

That Mr. Burgar, the caretaker of O'Rielly bridge, be granted the sum of \$5 by this Council, and the Warden do issue his cheque for the same.—Carried.

Memorial—Export duty on natural gas.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Misener,

That leave be given to introduce memorial to the House of Commons of Canada, that an export duty may be imposed on natural gas.

Leave granted.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Misener,

That the bill be read a first time.

Memorial read a first time.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Misener,

That the bill be read a second time.

A discussion arose on second reading, all members taking part. The motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Misener,

That the memorial be read a third time.

Moved by Mr. Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Barrick,

That the word "moderate" be inserted before the words "export duty" in the bill.

The yeas and nays being called for, were taken as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Barnhard, Barrick, Cruikshank, Fry, Hagar, Krafft, Orr, Riselay and Weiss.—9.

NAYS.—Messrs. Fares, Griffiths, Hopkins, Macklem, Misener, Page, Sidey and Steele.—8. Amendment.

The motion passing in the affirmative, majority 1.

Mr. Macklem consented, and the word "moderate" was inserted before the memorial passed its third reading.

The Warden read the memorial, as amended, a third time, and it was passed, signed, sealed, and forwarded to Sir John Thompson, Premier. Adopted.

Moved by Mr. Griffiths, seconded by Mr. Page,

That the Clerk be instructed to have the minutes of this Council for the years 1892 and 1893 bound with the Municipal History, in one volume, and a copy of the same be supplied to each member of this Council.—Carried. Minutes and Municipal History to be bound.

The Warden presented report of Finance Committee, which was read to Council. Finance report.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Sidey,

That the report just read be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Griffiths, seconded by Mr. Macklem,

That the Warden do now vacate the chair and that Mr. Riselay take the same.—Carried.

Pursuant to motion the Warden left the chair and Mr. Riselay took the same.

Moved by Mr. Sidey, seconded by Mr. Macklem,

That the Council at its closing meeting of 1893 express their approval and satisfaction of the manner in which the Warden, C. B. Bennett, Esq., has presided over the meetings of this Council during Thanks to the Warden.

the year, and tender him the thanks of each and every member, and the compliments of the season.

Carried unanimously,—all members expressing great satisfaction at having the privilege of supporting the motion.

The chairman in a few appropriate remarks presented the thanks of Council to the Warden.

And the Warden resumed the chair and thanked the Council for the very kind remarks made by all members in connection with the resolution.

Moved by Mr. Macklem, seconded by Mr. Griffiths,
That this Council do now adjourn *sine die*.—Carried.

Pursuant to motion the Council adjourned at 11:40 a. m.

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,
County Clerk.

(Sgd.)

C. B. BENNETT,
Warden.



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APPENDIX A.

BY - LAWS.

BY-LAW NO. 611.

BY-LAW to Amend By-Law No. 591.

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Warden.

WHEREAS it is necessary and expedient to amend By-law No. 591, relating to the suppression of vagrancy in the Town of Welland and vicinity ;

Be it therefore enacted, and it is hereby enacted, by the Municipal Council of the County of Welland :

That By-law 591 be amended by inserting immediately after the words "in the vicinity of the Town of Welland," these words : " Including that portion of Crowland Township known as the Michigan Central Junction."

Be it further enacted that this amendment shall come into force immediately.

Passed in Council this 7th day of December, 1893.

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,
County Clerk.

(Sgd.)

C. B. BENNETT,
Warden.

{ L. S. }

BY-LAW NO. 612.

BY-LAW to Repeal By-Law No. 271 of the By-Laws of this Council.

WHEREAS it is necessary and expedient to repeal By-law No. 271 of the By-laws of this Council :

Be it therefore enacted that By-law No. 271 of the By-laws of this Council be, and is hereby, repealed.

Passed in Council this 8th day of December, 1893.

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,
County Clerk.

(Sgd.)

C. B. BENNETT,
Warden.

{ L. S. }

BY-LAW NO. 613.

BY-LAW to provide that "Rivers, Lakes and Ponds," as used, Secs. 532 and 535 of the Consolidated Municipal Act, 1892, shall not include or extend to any River, Lake or Pond less than eighty feet in width.

WHEREAS it is necessary and expedient to pass a By-law in accordance with Sub-Sec. 3 of Sec. 535 of the Consolidated Municipal Act, 1892 :

Be it therefore enacted by the power vested in this Council by the said sub-section of the said section of the said Act, and it is hereby enacted, that the words "Rivers, Lakes and Ponds," as used in Secs. 532 and 535 of said Act, shall not include or extend to any River, Lake or Pond less than eighty feet in width.

Passed in Council this 8th day of December, A. D. 1893.

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,
County Clerk.

(Sgd.)

C. B. BENNETT,
Warden.

{ L. S. }

APPENDIX B.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland, in Council Assembled :

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to submit this their report, and would recommend the payment of the following certified accounts :

C. B. Bennett, committee time.....	\$16 80
E. Cruikshank, committee time....	31 40
C. Riselay, committee time	8 00
E. W. Fares, committee time.....	8 40
S. J. Sidey, committee time.....	12 00
Jas. Battle, committee time.....	12 00
N. B. Hagar, committee time.....	11 20
H. G. Macklem, committee time.....	2 50
C. Steele, committee time.....	4 40
J. Weiss, committee time.....	3 20
M. B. Barnhard, committee time.....	57 90
John Orr, committee time	29 40
F. Misener, committee time.....	33 40
J. H. Ball, incidental office expenses.....	14 05
A. Carl, covering cushions	2 00
J. J. Sidey, printing, advertising and stationery....	121 68
Geo. Cronmiller, repairs to desks.....	50
Thorold Post, advertising.....	2 88

W. T. Sawle & Co., advertising.....	4 76
Registry Office—stationery and sundry supplies..	94 33
L. C. Raymond, professional services.....	5 00

Your committee have examined the Treasurer's statement and find it correct.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) H. G. MACKLEM,
S. J. SIDEY,
ERNEST CRUIKSHANK,
E. W. FARES,
SAMUEL HOPKINS.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
WELLAND, December 9th, 1893.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland:

Your Standing Committee on Education, to whom was referred the communication from the secretary of the Welland Public School Board, *re* Model School Grant and Inspector's Salary, beg leave to report as follows:

That the Warden be instructed to draw his cheque on the Treasurer for a sum equal to the amount collected within the town towards payment by the County of Inspector's salary.

Also, for the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, being the annual grant provided by statute for the County Model School.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) J. HARRISON PEW,
H. G. A. COOK,
A. GRIFFITHS,
E. BARRICK,
D. W. PAGE,
F. W. KRAFFT.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland, in Council Assembled :

Your Standing Committee on Roads and Bridges for 1893, beg leave to submit this their report :

Your Committee, with the Lincoln County Road and Bridge Committee, inspected bridges over the Welland River in which the two counties are interested, and found them in need of slight repairs, on which the following contracts were let :

On Port Davidson Bridge, to David Sensabaugh, the amount having been paid by Warden's cheque.\$ 13 50

On Robins' Bridge, to Peter Moore, amount unpaid—Committee recommend payment.... 2 50

(Also material furnished for Robins' Bridge, paid for by Lincoln County.)

Your Committee was notified of the dangerous condition of the White Pigeon Bridge. We inspected the same and found it unsafe for public travel. Your Committee caused a new bridge to be constructed at a cost of.... 461 50

(The work was completed to the satisfaction of the Committee and paid for by the Warden's cheque.)

Also, O'Rielley's Bridge was found very unsafe, and contracts were let for portions of repairs to Hiram Hanham, for. 53 70

To Frank Rounds, for timber..... 39 00

(Amounts have been paid by Warden's cheque.)

Your Committee also thought it advisable to paint the Black Creek Bridge. Contract was let to M. R. Detenbeck, for the sum of..... 9 75

(Amount paid by Warden's cheque.)

Also, let contract to John Heximer for repairing the swing on Montrose Bridge—amount paid by Warden's cheque. 10 00

And to O. Anderson, for repairing approaches of Port Robinson Bridge—amount paid..... 12 75

Also, Frank Rounds, for oak plank for Beckett's Bridge—
amount paid\$ 16 65

Your Committee recommend the payment of the following
accounts:—

To Hiram Hanham, for contract on O'Reiley's Bridge\$ 97 00
To Calvin D. Farr, work on Beckett's Bridge 9 68
To Geo. Ross, C. E., for plans and specifications for the
White Pigeon Bridge..... 12 00
To Wm. Burns, work on Montrose Bridge 2 00

Your Committee have pleasure in further reporting that the
County Bridges are now in a fair state of repair.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) M. B. BARNHARD,
F. E. MISENER,
JOHN ORR.

FIRST REPORT OF GAOL COMMITTEE.

*To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland, in Council
Assembled:*

Your Gaol Committee beg leave to submit this their first report:

The Committee met on the 19th June and received the follow-
ing tenders for coal:

W. L. RICE.

Grate coal\$5 23
Egg, stove and nut coal 5 23

JAMES BLACKWELL.

Grate Coal\$5 15
Egg, stove and nut coal 5 37

W. H. CROW.

Grate, stove, egg and nut coal\$5 22

Mr. Crow's tender being the lowest was accepted.

Mr. Vanderburgh's account for \$20, repairs to registry office roof,
was paid.

Your Committee met again on the 4th July, and passed the regular quarterly accounts, and forwarded same to the criminal justice audit.

The following certified accounts were also passed and ordered paid :

Welland Town, for water.....	\$18 75
Taylor & Crow, for hardware	9 40
Peter McMurray, for repairs to roof.....	50 00
Ross & Co., sundries (dry goods).....	13 26
Electric Light Co., rent of light for quarter	31 20
C. J. Page, sundries	31 92
Kelly Beckett, Engine Co., grates for furnaces.....	50 60

The Gaoler was authorized to procure a coil for apparatus in his residence, in order to make the heating of said building more satisfactory. Instructions were also given to have the front doors of Court House made smaller.

On October 2nd the Committee again met to examine the quarterly accounts for quarter ending Sept. 30th, and having passed same they were forwarded to the Criminal Justice audit.

The following certified accounts were passed and ordered paid at the meeting :

Welland Town, for water	\$18 75
Young & Bro., repairing coil and pipe fittings.....	23 67
O. H. Garner, R. R. ticket to N. F., and ink	1 40
W. H. Crow, lumber ..	8 27
Telephone Co., rent of telephone to Jan., 1894	6 00
Taylor & Crow, work and material, registry office.....	16 57
Taylor & Crow, repairs at gaol.....	11 88
Smith Brittin, painting vestibule, court house.....	16 00
Dawdy & Adley, paper	7 93
George Ellsworth, alteration to court house doors.....	6 50
George Ellsworth, repairs at registry office	1 10
C. J. Page, sundries.....	13 76

Electric Light Co., rent of light for quarter	31	20
P. McMurray, water tank and repairs	17	30

Following the usual course pursued by previous committees, we gave instructions at this meeting to advertise for wood for gaol purposes, giving the parties the privilege of delivering said wood any time before the 1st February, 1894. The gaoler was given instructions to procure necessary clothing as may be required for use of prisoners until December session of Council.

The Committee met again on Oct. 19th and received the following tenders for wood :

Mr. Alex. Asher.....\$2 35 per cord.

Mr. W. R. Phillips..... 2 54 per cord.

Mr. Asher's tender was accepted.

Application was made to the Committee at this meeting by Dr. Glasgow, on behalf of the County Reform Association, and by L. Clarke Raymond on behalf of the County Conservative Association, for the privilege of holding annual and special meetings of said County Associations in the court room.

The applications were granted, it being understood that there would not be any smoking allowed at said meetings, and that the County Council would be asked to ratify the action of committee.

Mr. Botterill was engaged at this meeting to attend the registry office heating apparatus during the winter months at \$4 per month.

A request from Mr. Cowper and the sheriff was made to have the small glass taken out of their office windows and replaced with large glass. Your committee, believing it would improve the appearance of the building as well as benefit the officials, have had the alterations made in those two offices, and also in the judge's chambers, at a cost of about \$19.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) S. J. SIDEY, Chairman,
N. B. HAGAR,
JAMES BATTLE.

SECOND REPORT OF GAOL COMMITTEE.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Welland :

GENTLEMEN,—

Your Gaol Committee herewith submit their second report :

In compliance with instructions your Committee telegraphed to the Home for Incurables at Toronto and Hamilton, seeking admittance for Mrs. Ashton, a woman now in gaol ill of a cancer. Hamilton Home was unable to accommodate the patient, but the reply from Toronto was more favorable, and blank application has been sent to your Committee.

Your Committee recommend the application to be made at once for admission to the public cancer ward, at \$2.50 per week, as under the most favorable conditions there will be a delay of several weeks before the patient can be admitted, if at all. (See letter attached).

In the meantime the gaol officials are instructed to procure what assistance may be necessary in order that the patient have every care.

The gaoler was instructed to procure lumber to rebuild fence in gaol yard, in compliance with inspector's instructions, a carpenter now being in prison who can do the work.

The account of \$65.30 from central prison for boots, shoes and clothing, was ordered paid.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. J. SIDEY, Chairman.

NORVAL B. HAGAR.

WELLAND, Dec. 9, 1893.

TORONTO HOME FOR INCURABLES,

TORONTO, Dec. 7, 1893.

S. J. Sidey, Esq.,—

In answer to your telegram I could not give you particulars. All cases have to be brought before the monthly meeting of directors. We have a cancer ward and receive patients suffering from that complaint, but I am not sure about the mental trouble. It would have to come before the board for consideration ; therefore I will send you a form of application to be filled out and returned to secretary, Miss M. Martin, 81 Spencer Ave. Kindly enclose doctor's certificate with application. In wards with others, \$2.50 per week ; private wards from \$5 per week up to \$10, including nursing, medical attendance, medicine and board.

Very truly yours,

MRS. C. CRAIGIE,

Superintendent.

I will also send you a report for inspection.

FIRST REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Welland :

GENTLEMEN,—

Your Committee beg leave to submit this their first report :

INMATES.

The number of inmates at present in House is 43. The number committed during the present year is 14, as follows : Three from Welland, two each from Bertie, Pelham and Stamford, and one each from Crowland, Wainfleet, Humberstone, Willoughby, Thorold Town and Chippawa. Five inmates have died since the 1st of January, five have been discharged, one absconded, and one remained away several months but has lately returned.

The entire number of days board from the 1st of January to the 30th November, both days inclusive, is :

For inmates	13241
For hired help	668
For keeper's family	1670

Aggregate

15579

Weeks Board—

For inmates	1891 4/7
For keeper's family and servants	334

Average number of inmates during the entire term 40 nearly ;
whole number, including keeper's family and servants, 47.

NUMBER OF DAYS BOARD BY MUNICIPALITIES.

	<i>No. of Inmates.</i>	<i>No. of Days.</i>
Bertie	5	1428
Crowland	4	702
Humberstone	1	312
Pelham	10	2472
Stamford	3	505
Thorold Township	2	668
Wainfleet	5	1498
Willoughby	2	271
Welland.	9	2065
Thorold Town	7	1917
Chippawa	2	401
Fort Erie	1	334
Niagara Falls Village	1	334
Port Colborne	none	none
Niagara Falls Town	1	334
		13241

During the same period 654 dinners have been furnished to prisoners employed on the farm.

NAMES OF PERSONS COMMITTED SINCE JANUARY 1ST.

- Jan. 2—Jane Armstrong, Thorold Town.
 4—A. Raymond, Bertie.
 23—W. Turkington, Humberstone.
 25—P. Herbold, Chippawa.
 Feb. 6—H. Bennett, Welland.
 Mar. 23—S. Zimmerman, Willoughby.
 Apl. 13—A. Wilkerson, Welland.
 July 28—Mrs. Woolnough, Stamford.
 Aug. 7—Alex. Ray, Pelham.
 26—E. Helmich, Bertie.
 Oct. 2—B. Cook, Welland.
 3—P. Crow, Pelham.
 26—Wm. Mathews, Stamford.
 Nov. 7—J. Bannister, Crowland.

DEATHS.

- Jan. 24—James Stewart, Crowland, aged 73.
 Feb. 9—James B. Lynn, Welland, aged 83.
 Mar. 2—Phyllis Smith, Pelham, aged 70.
 May 13—A. Wilkerson, Welland, aged 56.
 July 16—Jane Clancy, Welland, aged 97.

DISCHARGED.

- Mildred Fox, Thorold Town.
 Jane Armstrong, Thorold Town.
 Bedford Cook, Welland, recommitted.
 P. Herbold, Chippawa.
 A. Ray, Pelham.

ABSCONDED.

- Riley Rodgers, Wainfleet, returned 27th November.

FARM AND PRODUCTS.

- The results of the year's work on the farm are highly satisfactory.
 The following is a statement of the products :
 Hay, 30 tons.
 Oats, 150 bushels.

Corn, 350 bushels.
 Peas, 30 bushels.
 Oat straw, 6 loads.
 Pea straw, 4 loads.
 Corn stalks, 6 loads.
 Potatoes, 690 bushels.
 Mangolds, 1320 bushels.
 Carrots, white, 900 bushels, grown on one acre.
 Swedes, 435 bushels.
 Carrots, yellow, 30 bushels.
 Radishes, 10 bushels.
 Parsnips, 10 bushels.
 Onions, 5 bushels.

PRODUCTS OF FARM SOLD.

Fruit	\$112 00
Asparagus	25 00
Vegetables, &c	177 34
Furnished gaol	63 75
	\$378 09
Beef, pork and veal sold	\$307 98
Beef and pork used in the House (estimated)	334 46
	\$642 44

Estimated value of fruit and vegetables used in
 the House

	\$100 00
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Quantity of milk produced

	3793 gallons.
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LIVE STOCK PURCHASED.

Jan. 2--Milch cow	\$45 00
28--Milch cow and calf	47 50
Feb. 18--Cow to fat	27 50
Mar. 15--Cow in calf	33 84
Apl. 6--Cow and calf	35 00
May 17--Nine pigs, five weeks old	20 25

Aug. 5—Six pigs.....	20 00
Nov. 2—Cow to fat.....	18 50
6—Cow and calf.....	50 00
15—Cow to fat.....	20 50
Calf to raise.....	6 50

WEIGHT OF CATTLE SLAUGHTERED FOR USE.

Jan. 18—Cow	452 lbs.
28—Cow	674 lbs.
Feb. 13—Cow	576 lbs.
Mar. 1—Cow	708 lbs.
Apl. 5—Cow	510 lbs.
Nov. 3—Cow	548 lbs.
25—Cow	516 lbs.
	3984 lbs.

WEIGHT OF PIGS SLAUGHTERED.

Apl. 15—Three pigs.....	432 lbs.
15—Nine pigs.....	1605 lbs.
17—Two pigs.....	345 lbs.
Nov. 28—Nine pigs.....	1742 lbs.
	4124 lbs. pork.

STATEMENT OF BEEF, PORK, CALVES AND HIDES SOLD.

Jan. 10—One calf.....	\$ 5 00
10—Hide	2 24
28—Hide	2 62
Feb. 13—Hide	2 20
20—Calf.....	5 50
Mar. 1—Hide	2 92
April 5—Hide	2 40
14—Calf.....	5 00
17—345 lbs. pork.....	24 15
17—1605 lbs. pork	109 38
June 16—Calf.....	6 00
July 6—Calf.....	8 00

Nov. 3—168 lbs. beef.....	12 80
3—Hide.....	2 19
25—Hide.....	1 74
28—1742 lbs. pork.....	115 84
	\$307 98

LIVE STOCK BRED ON THE FARM.

May 17—Two pigs.

17—Calf.

22—Calf.

Sept. 4—Seven pigs.

Oct. 3—Seven pigs.

LIVE STOCK ON HAND.

Two horses and one mare.

Seven milch cows.

One cow, fatting.

Two heifers, fatting, two years old.

Two heifers, breeding, one year old.

Eight pigs, fatting.

Fourteen shoats.

22 hens.

2 sows.

CULTIVATION.

The farm is now under cultivation as follows:

10 acres pasture.

10 acres meadow.

8 acres rye.

32 acres fall ploughed.

—
60 acres.

Owing to the lack of cellar accommodation ten pits of roots and potatoes have been made in the fields.

At the request of the Provincial Commissioner, an exhibit of this year's produce was sent to the Columbian Exhibition at Chicago.

FUEL.

In June your committee advertised for tenders for coal, and received the following :

W. L. Rice	\$ 5 48 per ton
James Blackwell	5 57 "
W. H. Crow	5 62 "

The tender of W. L. Rice was accordingly accepted, for 51 tons, 1470 lbs., delivered in August.

Your committee have advertised for forty cords of green, hard wood, to be delivered by the 20th January. It is anticipated that this can be sawed by prison labor during the winter.

We have about 41 tons of coal and seven cords of wood on hand.

SERVANTS.

Since last report one hired man at \$14 per month, and one female servant at \$3 a week, have been employed.

BUILDING.

During the heavy gale of September, the tall chimney in the rear of the Home was so badly shaken that it was found necessary to take immediate measures to stay it, which was done at a cost of \$6.78. Your committee have also engaged Messrs. Taylor & Crow to repair the roof wherever necessary, for the sum of \$23.

DRAINAGE.

Finding that there were a number of able-bodied prisoners in gaol, your committee began laying the tile that remained on hand, on Tuesday, the 14th November, with a gang of six men, in charge of Turnkey J. A. Gilchriese and Michael Hoban as guard. We have purchased 500 six-inch tile for the outlet, for \$15, and 1200 three-inch tile for \$12.

The total number of days labor up to the night of 2nd December was :

Prisoners, 64 days.
J. A. Gilchriese, 10 days.
M. Hoban, 10 days.
Total feet of tile laid, 1895.

Your committee have decided to purchase 3000 feet of three-inch tile (including the 1200 mentioned above) to be laid the present season. To-day (Dec. 5th) we have ten prisoners at work. Your committee have to acknowledge the ready assistance and courtesy they have received from the sheriff, gaoler and turnkeys at all times, and also very valuable assistance and advice from Mr. Robt. Cooper, county clerk.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Your committee have to report the payment of \$12 by Mr. C. J. Page, being four weeks board for A. Wilkerson, as per agreement.

The following articles have been furnished the gaol :

One tank.....	\$1 00
34 feet 4-inch water pipe.....	8 16
	\$9 16

CURRENT EXPENDITURE FOR MAINTENANCE.

The current expenditure upon maintenance account, as nearly as can be ascertained at present, for the last eleven months, is as follows :

Agricultural implements and repairs.....	\$ 24 20
Boots and shoes.....	22 99
Committee pay.....	81 80
Drugs and medicines.....	94 88
Dry goods	181 60
Fuel—	
Coal.....	350 84
Wood	180 68
Furniture	70
Hardware, paints and oils.....	103 11
Ice.	13 00
Incidentals.....	15 74
Labor	334 46
Live stock	279 59
Lumber	46 65
Manure	111 50

Mill feed.....	145 72
Hay	39 06
Printing and stationery.....	22 42
Provisions —	
Bread	266 19
Groceries	447 57
Meat.....	330 66
Salaries.....	504 16
Seeds.	10 50
Seed grain and potatoes.....	25 05
Straw	8 00
Telephone	26 05
Telegraph.....	1 05
Tinsmithing	37 30
Trees, shrubs and plants.....	6 75
Water.....	82 50
Repairs to building.....	9 78
Repairs to furnace.....	16 80
Funeral expenses of J. B. Lynn.....	23 00

\$3844 30

Deduct products sold.....\$ 686 07

A. Wilkerson's board..... 12 00

Receipts from Niagara Falls town, proportion

for eleven months 275 00

973 07

\$2871 23

The weekly cost of maintenance of inmates only has been, therefore, about \$1.48; and for the whole, inclusive of keeper's family and servants, \$1.27.

The expenditure on drainage has been the following since June :

Estate of T. W. Hooker, tile.....\$27 00

M. Hoban, guard..... 15 00

\$42 00

ARTICLES MADE IN THE HOME.

30 shirts.
 35 pairs of socks.
 10 pairs of mitts.
 9 dresses.
 3 undershirts.
 18 aprons.
 9 pairs of stockings.
 22 night dresses and underwear.
 28 towels.
 6 tea towels.
 3 tables.
 9 coffins.
 Boxes and guards for hydrants.
 All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) ERNEST CRUIKSHANK,
 E. RISELAY.

WELLAND, 5th Dec., 1893.

SECOND REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Welland:

Your committee on the House of Industry beg leave to submit their second report:

Your Committee having opened the several tenders for supplies for the coming year, beg leave to recommend that the following be accepted as the lowest tenders:

Bread, Geo. Stalker, 5 cents for 2 lb. loaf.

Wood, hard green, W. W. Marshall, \$3.25 per cord.

Meat, W. J. Best, beef, hindquarter, 8 cents.

Meat, W. J. Best, beef, forequarter, 7 cents.

Meat, W. J. Best, mutton, 8 cents.

Dry goods, Ross Co., (only tender).

Boots and shoes, D. McCaw & Son, (only tender).

G. H. Tudhope, groceries.

Taylor & Moore, bran, middlings and shorts, (only tender).

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) ERNEST CRUIKSHANK,
C. RISELAY,
E. W. FARES.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS WITH TOWN OF NIAGARA FALLS.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland in Council Assembled :

Your standing committee on accounts with the Town of Niagara Falls, beg leave to report that on June 21st they met a committee of the town council at Niagara Falls to settle account for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1892, and found the sum due from the town to the county to be \$1,441.69 for the said year. This amount was paid to the county treasurer on Sept. 6th, and as by agreement the amount was due and payable on July 1st, your committee would recommend that the treasurer render to the town of Niagara Falls an account for interest on \$1,441.69, from July 1st to Sept. 6th, being \$16.12, and interest on this latter amount from Sept. 6th until paid.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) H. G. MACKLEM,
JOHN WEISS,
CHRISTIAN STEELE.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
WELLAND, Dec. 7th, 1893.

TOWN OF NIAGARA FALLS IN ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY OF WELLAND
FOR THE YEAR 1892.

To amount payable under clause 1 of the agreement for use of court house and jail for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1892. \$		\$ 264 15
To amount payable under clause 1 of the agreement for the use of the registry office.		34 13
To 1/10 of the following sums :		
Administration of justice.	7123 31	
5 6 of auditors' salaries.	66 66	
Caretaker's salary.	120 00	
5 6 of treasurer's salary.	500 00	
Fuel.	677 83	
Jury expenses.	1284 40	
Jail account.	929 16	
Jail residences' account.	39 74	
Printing.	309 26	
Office expenses.	83 60	
2/3 of current interest account.	174 20	
Lighting court house, jail, &c.	72 05	
Insurance.	293 40	
Surrogate office books.	13 00	
	\$11686 61	1168 66
Industrial Home.		300 00
		\$1766 94
By 1/10 of amount received from Ontario Government for administration of justice, \$1959 74.	195 97	
	129 28	
		\$ 325 25
Total payable by town to county. .		
		\$1441 69

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION
FROM THE COUNTY OF HURON, SEC. 533,
C. S., 1892.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland, in Council Assembled:

Your special committee to whom was referred the communication from the County of Huron, beg leave to report, that they cannot recommend that this Council concur in memorialising the Provincial Legislature for the repeal of section 533 of the Consolidated Municipal Act of 1892.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) M. B. BARNHARD,
H. G. MACKLEM,
JAMES BATTLE,
J. HARRISON PEW,
F. W. KRAFFT.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
WELLAND, Dec. 7th, 1893.

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APPENDIX C.

MEMORIALS.

MEMORIAL *RE* NATURAL GAS.

*To the Honorable the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada
in Parliament Assembled :*

The Memorial of the Municipal Council of the County of Welland humbly sheweth :

1. That in the said County of Welland natural gas has been discovered to exist in large quantities, the discovery having been made in the year 1890.

2. That there have been bored in the County of Welland upwards of 130 wells for the purpose of obtaining gas, and many of said wells are capable of producing millions of feet of gas a day.

3. That since the discovery a number of companies have been organised for the purpose of boring and obtaining natural gas to supply the same for fuel and light, and large quantities of gas are now being used in the County of Welland for fuel and light, to the great benefit of hundreds of families in the county and to the benefit also of manufacturers in said county.

4. That although the gas is used as above stated in the County of Welland, still most of the gas that is produced is conveyed by means of pipes across the Niagara river to the city of Buffalo, in the state of New York, where the said gas is consumed.

5. That the said gas is being conveyed across the river in such large quantities that the supply is being rapidly exhausted, and your memorialists fear that if the gas continues to be conveyed across the river in such quantities, this very valuable mineral will soon be exhausted.

6. That one company (The Provincial Natural Gas & Fuel Co.) are now erecting pumps for the purpose of forcing the said gas to the city of Buffalo, the gas heretofore having sufficient force not to require artificial means to force it through the pipes, which demonstrates the fact that the pressure is materially less and that the gas is being rapidly exhausted.

7. Since the discovery of the said gas the Ontario Silver Company have established works in the township of Humberstone, in the said county of Welland, solely on account of the fact that they have been able to procure natural gas as a fuel, and your memorialists understand there are employed in said factory upwards of 70 hands, to the great benefit of the community, and there has also been established, on account of the discovery of natural gas, a glass factory in the village of Port Colborne, and your memorialists understand that other factories are likely to be started if the exportation of natural gas is prohibited.

8. That your memorialists consider that it would be a great benefit to the people of the County of Welland, and to the country in general, if the exportation of gas is prohibited.

Your memorialists therefore pray : That a moderate export duty may be imposed on the exportation of natural gas.

Passed in Council this 9th day of December, 1893.

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,
County Clerk.

(Sgd.)

C. B. BENNETT,
Warden.

{ L. S. }

MEMORIAL *RE* FERRY LANDING AT FORT ERIE.

To the Honorable the Minister of the Interior :

The Petition of the Council of the county of Welland humbly sheweth :

That whereas a lease of a portion of the ordnance lands in Fort Erie was leased to the village of Fort Erie to be held as a ferry landing, said lease bearing date the 29th day of May, 1885, and being registered in November, 1888.

And whereas this Council believes that said ferry landing should be controlled by said municipality in the public interest.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that you will be pleased to recommend that said lease shall be continued to said municipality.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

Passed in Council this 8th day of December, 1893.

(Sgd.)

ROBERT COOPER,
County Clerk.

(Sgd.)

C. B. BENNETT,
Warden.

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APPENDIX D.

COMMUNICATIONS.

COMMUNICATION FROM WM. GREENWOOD,
CONSTABLE.

T. D. Cowper, Esq., Clerk of the Peace.

DEAR SIR,—

In reply to yours of the 12th inst. in reference to my account against the county in the case of Albert Kostuck :

The distress warrant, also warrant of commitment, was duly executed by me. The said warrants were sent to me by A. G. Hill, P. M., so I was compelled to serve the same.

Lymburner, the other party to the case, refused to pay my costs, and as he is very poor it would be impossible for me to collect the cost of him.

Dear sir, after me doing the work, which was a disagreeable job, I think the county ought to pay me. If the county does not pay me I will have to pay out of my own pocket the hire of conveyance for removing prisoners to gaol.

Hoping you will view the matter in a favorable light towards me,

I remain yours, &c.,

(Sgd.) WM. GREENWOOD,

Constable.

CHIPPAWA, 19th April, 1893.

FROM A. McCULLOCH *RE* COUNTY PUPILS.*J. Battle, Esq., Reeve of Thorold :*

DEAR SIR,—

I beg leave to certify that in the year 1891 seven candidates, and in the year 1892 eleven candidates from outside of the municipality presented themselves at the entrance examinations held at Thorold high school.

I am yours truly,

(Sgd.) A. McCULLOCH,

Presiding Examiner.

THOROLD, Dec. 4, 1893.

FROM J. McCUAIG *RE* GRANT FOR PRISON LIBRARY.*To the Warden and County Council :*

GENTLEMEN,—

On behalf of the W. C. T. U., it once more becomes my duty to respectfully ask you for another grant of money for the prison library.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) J. McCUAIG,

President W.C.T.U.

WELLAND, Dec. 4, 1893.

FROM THOS. C. DAWSON—THANKS FOR ANNUAL
GRANT TO ST. CATHARINES G. AND M.
HOSPITAL.*To the County Clerk of the County of Welland :*

DEAR SIR,—

Please convey to Warden and members of your council the sincere thanks of the trustees of St. Catharines General and Marine

Hospital for their annual grant of three hundred dollars in aid of our hospital.

Yours, &c.,

(Sgd.) THOS. C. DAWSON,

Treasurer.

ST. CATHARINES, ONT.,

June 13th, 1893.

FROM A. REID, SECRETARY W. C. AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, *RE* RESOLUTION PASSED BY W. C. AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

R. Cooper, Esq., Co. Clerk.

SIR,—

Please present to the Warden of the County Council, at its first sitting, the following resolution, passed by directors of the County Welland Agricultural Society on the 11th inst.

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) A. REID,

CROWLAND, Nov. 13th, 1893.

Secretary.

“Moved by Dr. Glasgow, seconded by Levi Willson, that this society take this their first opportunity of thanking the County Council for their annual grant to this society.”—Carried.

COUNTY MODEL SCHOOL GRANT.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland, in Council Assembled :

GENTLEMEN :—

The Public School Board of the town of Welland hereby make application to your honorable body for the usual grant (\$150) to the County Model school for the year 1893.

I am yours, &c.,

(Sgd.) J. McCAW,

Secretary.

FROM J. McCAW, SECRETARY P. S. BOARD, WELLAND.
*To the Warden and Council of the County of Welland, in Council
 Assembled :*

GENTLEMEN,—

The Public School Board of the town of Welland hereby make application to your honorable body for the amount due the board, under chapter 55, section 158, of the public school regulations, relating to P. S. Boards in towns not separated from the county, who appoint an inspector other than the county inspector.

I am yours,

J. McCAW,
Secretary.

P. S.—The amount received for 1892 was \$27.30.

WELLAND, Dec. 7th, 1893.

FROM COUNTY OF HURON, *RE* RESOLUTION PASSED
 THAT SECTION 533*a* OF THE CONSOLIDATED
 MUNICIPAL ACT OF 1892 BE REPEALED.

*To R. Cooper, Esq.,
 Clerk of Welland Co., Ontario.*

DEAR SIR,—

I have the honor to intimate to you that I have been instructed to forward you a copy of the following resolution passed by the council of Huron county :

"That the Warden and Clerk be instructed to memorialize the Ontario Legislature, asking that section 533*a* of the Consolidated Municipal Act of 1892, be repealed, and that the Clerk ask the co-operation of the counties, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to each of the members in this county of the Local Legislature."

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) W. LANE,
Clerk.

GODERICH, ONT., Aug. 19th, 1893.

FROM J. E. MORIN, REGISTRAR, *RE* RECOMMENDATION
FROM E. F. B. JOHNSTON, INSPECTOR.

*To the Warden and Members of the County Council of the County of
Welland :*

SIRS,—

I have the honor to transmit you herewith a letter from Mr. Johnston, the Inspector of registry offices for this Province.

I remain yours,

(Sgd.) JAS. E. MORIN.

REGISTRY OFFICE, COUNTY OF WELLAND,
WELLAND, Ont., Dec. 7, 1893.

Registrar of Deeds, Welland :

DEAR SIR,—

On my inspection to-day, I examined the registers and abstract indexes, and find they are greatly injured and rapidly becoming destroyed by reason of the means adopted for keeping them when not in use. Heavy books such as these are should be kept flat, and the only successful way of accomplishing this is by roller shelves ; these books on roller shelves will last practically for all time, but standing them on end necessitates re-binding, and in many cases re-copying after lapse of some years ; several ought to be re-bound now ; and I write this to you in order that you may bring the matter to the notice of the County Council with the view of having roller shelves put in the office. I would not do this unless the public interest really required it, and I may say that many counties are adopting this shelving with most satisfactory results.

Yours truly,

E. F. B. JOHNSTON,

Inspector.

WELLAND, Ont., July 19th, 1893.

FROM JAMES QUILLINAN, SECRETARY H. S. B., NIAGARA
FALLS TOWN.

To the Clerk of the County of Welland :

DEAR SIR,--

I am directed by the Board of High School Trustees to notify you that the high school of this town is open to county pupils, on the same terms and conditions as the other high schools in the county.

I remain, dear sir, yours very truly,

(Sgd.) JAMES QUILLINAN,

Secretary H. S. Board.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., 2nd Oct., 1893.

FROM EDGAR KER, *RE* JAMES H. BALL, PUBLIC SCHOOL
INSPECTOR OF COUNTY OF WELLAND.

*To the Warden and Members of the County Council of the County of
Welland :*

GENTLEMEN,--

I, Edgar Ker, of the Township of Pelham, County of Welland, do hereby charge James H. Ball, Esq., Public School Inspector of the County of Welland :

(1.) With neglect of duty in regard to S. S. No. 9, Pelham, as directed in clause 1, section 155, of statutes and regulations of public and high schools ; to see that every school is conducted according to this act and the regulations of the department.

(2.) I charge Inspector Ball with want of courtesy and neglect of duty in treating my complaints against the teacher in this section (No. 9), made in writing and sent to him in December, 1892, and again in May, 1893, with silent contempt, my letters not being answered.

(3.) I charge the inspector with disrespect for his position, and partiality in conducting an investigation of my complaints in my absence on the 19th of May, 1893, without giving me, as complainant,

in any way, a notice of the same ; and leaving in the visitors' book at the school a report that was very meagre and misleading, and sending on the day following a fuller report to the Education Department, Toronto.

(4.) I charge the inspector with treating instructions received by him from the Honorable the Minister of Education, under date of June 5th, 1893, and over the signature of the deputy minister, with derision and contempt. That this charge be understood, I beg to quote from Mr. Ball's report to Toronto, dated May the 30th, 1893 :

"That geography, although receiving a little attention in forms 1 and 2, is not so well attended to as the teacher informed me he would desire owing to want of time."

"That Canadian history is not as yet taken up in form 3."

"That grammar and composition, for the same reason, lack the attention necessary, although not entirely neglected in forms 1, 2 and 3."

"That in regard to the teaching of reading there is also room for improvement."

"That book-keeping in form 4 appears to have been crowded out for want of time."

I give a copy of the letter of instruction referred to :

TORONTO, June 5th, 1893.

DEAR SIR,—I am directed by the Minister of Education to state in reply to your letter of the 20th of May, that he has read your report upon the investigation held in S. S. No. 9, Pelham. The report shows serious negligence on the part of the teacher, negligence which I do not think you can, with propriety, overlook. The excuses given for neglecting certain subjects on the program are not satisfactory, although in fairness to the teacher it may be said that the school is unusually large, and would be benefitted by an assistant teacher.

I think you should examine the school, especially about the 25th of June, looking into every detail of the work and ascertaining from personal examination the standing of every class. If at that time the school is not equal to the average of your county, or is not conducted

according to the regulations, Mr. Davis, trustee, should be informed officially. You should send him a copy of this letter, as your instructions from the department, when you have fixed a date for the examination.

(Sgd.) Your obedient servant,

JAMES MILLAR,

Deputy Minister.

James H. Ball, Esq.,

School Inspector, Welland.

The "serious negligence on the part of the teacher, negligence which I do not think you can with propriety overlook, has been overlooked. No examination has been held."

(5.) I further charge Inspector Ball with a direct violation of the school act in appointing, or having had appointed, Miss D. Ball (his daughter) as presiding examiner at the entrance examination in S. S. No. 2 Pelham, held on June the 28th, 29th and 30th, 1893, Miss Ball's qualifications not being such as required by the act,—entrance examinations, section 38, (3), page 81 S. and R. P. and H. schools.

(6.) That Mr. Ball has, for many years, without authority, been fixing different places throughout the county for purposes of entrance examinations to high schools, whereby he has been able to draw \$1 for each pupil who goes up for examination, and which expense the council has to pay, and which he would not otherwise be entitled to.

Trusting that these charges will receive your serious consideration, and that action will be taken on them at the earliest possible moment,

I remain your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) EDGAR KER.

FENWICK, August 15th, 1893.

FROM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, *RE* KER V. BALL.

TORONTO, 4th August, 1893.

DEAR SIR,—

I am directed by the Minister of Education to state in reply to your letter of the 1st inst., that having had under full consideration your complaints regarding Inspector Ball, he is not prepared to grant an investigation by some other person. It would be a proper course, however, if you consider Mr. Ball inefficient in the discharge of his duties, to bring the matter before the county council, to which body he is also responsible. If the county council should request the minister to hold an investigation the request will be complied with.

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) JOHN MILLAR,

Deputy Minister.

Mr. Edgar Ker,

S. S. Pelham, Fenwick.

TORONTO, 13th April, 1892.

DEAR SIR,—

I am directed by the Minister of Education to state in reply to your letter of the 11th inst., that the new act does not interfere with the examinations to be held in places already approved and in which examinations have been annually held. It is assumed that the county council desires these examinations to be held as in former years.

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) JOHN MILLAR,

Deputy Minister.

J. H. Ball, Esq., M. A.,

I. P. S., WELLAND.

FROM SHERIFF SMITH, *RE* MRS. ASHTON.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland:

GENTLEMEN,—

I beg to call your attention to the case of one Mrs. Ashton, an

aged female prisoner now on remand in the gaol on a charge of vagrancy.

This seems to be one of those unfortunate cases that are somewhat difficult to deal with, but surely some more humane means can be devised than keeping this poor old woman in gaol to die.

I have asked the gaol surgeon for a report on her case for your information, which is herewith annexed.

Yours truly,

JAMES SMITH,

Sheriff, Co. Welland.

FROM J. H. HOWELL, GAOL SURGEON, *RE* MRS. ASHTON.

Re Mrs. Ashton:—

She is afflicted with malignant disease of the bowel of a cancerous nature, which will necessarily prove fatal in a few weeks at least. Her mental condition is not very sound, though not in any way dangerous; rather talkative, and a little noisy, which is probably aggravated by the extreme pain which attends the disease.

The proper place for her would be a hospital, if she would be received at such, as she requires some attention in the way of cleansing and dressing, which a nurse could best attend to.

In some cases of this nature an operation is necessary to relieve the extreme suffering, which could not be very well performed with success in the gaol. At present she seems to be comfortable under the use of narcotics, but the odor from the imperfect cleansing of the diseased parts is very unpleasant in the corridor, in fact it would be undesirable to confine another prisoner in the same place.

J. H. HOWELL,

Gaol Surgeon.

WELLAND, December 6th, 1893.

FROM J. H. HOWELL, GAOL SURGEON, *RE* MRS. ASHTON.

To the Warden and Councillors of the County of Welland :

GENTLEMEN,—

In the case of Mrs. Ashton, should she be retained in the gaol, it will be necessary to have dressings applied at least twice a day, in order to prevent the disagreeable odor arising from the discharges from penetrating the other parts of the building. The matron can scarcely do this, and I would recommend that a woman be employed to come morning and evening and do the dressing. At present it would be extremely inadvisable to confine another prisoner in the gaol.

I remain your obedient servant,

J. H. HOWELL,

Gaol Surgeon.

WELLAND, Ont., Dec. 8th, 1893.

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APPENDIX E.

Miscellaneous.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES—
COUNTY OF WELLAND.

Statement showing receipts and expenditures of the County of
Welland, from January 1st to November 30th, 1893, inclusive:

1893.	RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
Jan. 1—To cash on hand.....	\$ 366 33	\$
Amount due Imperial Bank.....		1272 73
Debentures.....		1381 00
Division court jury fund	27 92	
Jury expenses.....	21 00	879 90
Board of education.....	5 00	735 75
High schools.....		2356 38
House of industry.....	559 34	4730 87
Administration of justice.....	1328 81	6091 66
Court house and gaol.....	50 00	651 44
Salaries		1244 24
Printing.....		131 90
Interest		878 65
Licenses.....	121 00	
Special grants.....		605 00
Niagara Falls award.....	1441 69	
Division court offices.....		6 40
Offices expenses.....		77 73
Contingent		17 15
Roads and bridges.....		768 91
Carried forward.....	\$ 3921 09	\$21829 71

Brought forward	\$ 3921 09	\$21829 71
Fuel.		729 48
Municipal government.....		814 90
Electric lighting.....		115 90
Insurance	30 00	97 50
Gaoler's and turnkey's residence.		61 59
Registry office.....	1041 47	499 77
Public schools.....	2136 00	2136 00
County assessment, 1892.....	5136 16	
County assessment, 1893.....		
Non-resident taxes.....	643 45	412 47
Amount due bank.....	13901 52	
Cash on hand.....		112 37
	\$26809 69	\$26809 69

(Sgd.) G. L. HOBSON,
Co. Treasurer.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
WELLAND, Dec. 5th, 1893.

Amount due as county assessment for 1893\$21350 54
Amount due by province on criminal audit, September
quarter, about..... 500 00

GEO. L. HOBSON,
Co. Treasurer.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,
WELLAND, Dec. 5th, 1893.

FROM GEO. L. HOBSON, TREASURER.

C. B. Bennett, Esq., Warden :

DEAR SIR,—

The following amounts, since last report have been paid on county assessment :

Fort Erie, \$170.43, in full.

Township Humberstone, \$1000 on account.

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) GEO. L. HOBSON,

Co. Treasurer.

TREASURER'S OFFICE,

COUNTY OF WELLAND,

WELLAND, Ont., Dec. 7th, 1893.